Please, for the love of all things good, let HDTV catch on! Anything else put as a barrier to consumers switching to HDTV is a *bad thing*. It's already a mess with the 17 different formats and the lack of support by the networks. Copy protection will do no good to anyone. All it will do is put yet another nail in the coffin of HDTV.

I bought a HDTV set this year and am just outraged at the way the FCC and the networks are handling this. Please, can't the FCC do something right for once? DO NOT require a copy protection bit. This is just a move by the networks that think it will actually prevent copying. And why should that even be a factor? Right now I can record TV on my VCR or TiVo all day long! Why should HDTV be any different? Why are the networks so afraid of copying? I just don't understand. Please do not bow to corporate pressure and do something right for a change. You make the new format more restrictive and nobody will bother with it.